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PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES:	BOARD OF PODIATRY
MEETING DATE AND TIME:	Thursday, April 19, 2012 at 5:00 p.m.
PLACE:	861 Silver Lake Boulevard, Dover, Delaware Cannon Building, Second Floor- Conference Room B
MINUTES APPROVED:	September 20, 2012

MEMBERS PRESENT

Dr. Raymond Feehery, President, Professional Member
Dr. Luis Garcia, Professional Member
Dr. James Bray, Professional Member (entered at 5:05 p.m.)

DIVISION STAFF/DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL

Danny Stevenson, Deputy Attorney General
Sandra Wagner, Administrative Specialist III

MEMBERS ABSENT

Philip Mandel, Public Member
Amy Kratz, Public Member

ALSO PRESENT

There was no public present.

CALL TO ORDER

Dr. Feehery called the meeting to order at 5:05 p.m.

REVIEW OF MINUTES

The Board reviewed the minutes of the February 16, 2012 Board meeting. Dr. Bray made a motion, seconded by Dr. Garcia, to approve the meeting minutes with one change in the page number on page two. By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

2011-2012 STRATEGIC PLAN

Dr. Feehery stated that Mr. Stevenson submitted a Bill for requiring Podiatrist to have a Criminal Background Check.

Discussion about "In Training License"

The Board discussed the "In Training License." At the Board meeting in February the Board made some recommendations that they would like to have changed in the Rules and Regulations. Ms. Wagner brought the Rules and Regulations pertaining to the MD's and DO's and their Institutional Licensure requirements. Dr. Feehery spoke about changing only the wording in Rules to read that a Podiatrist would be granted an "in training license" without having taken or passed PMLexis (part 3). The Podiatrist would need to complete and pass the PMLexis (part 3) by the end of the 1st year

residency program. Dr. Bray stated that the Board should just exclude the time frame of getting the PMLexis (part 3) completed. If they don't pass they would not receive a Podiatrist license and they would lose their "in training license" and it would be the institutions responsibility if they didn't pass and lost their "in training license." Dr. Garcia made a motion, seconded by Dr. Feehery, to include the requirement that the Podiatrist must pass Part 3/PMLexis by end of year 1 of their residency. Mr. Stevenson will make the appropriate changes to the Rules and Regulations by the next meeting. By majority vote, the motion carried.

HBO Treatment in Hospitals

Dr. Bray made a motion, seconded by Dr. Feehery, that after review of available information the Board of Podiatry does not disagree at this time with the consensus position of the Health Care Institutions within the State that do not allow for a Podiatrist direct or monitor Hyperbaric Oxygen therapy. By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

House Bills 47 and 144

Mr. Stevenson the Board's attorney said that he will keep checking to see if there are any developments and then notify the Board. The Board will await the Board's attorney's notification of when a hearing will be held to discuss the Rules and Regulations regulating House Bills 47 and 144. The Board members would like to be at the hearing.

NEW BUSINESS

APPLICATIONS FOR BOARD REVIEW

There were no applications for Board review for April.

RATIFICATION OF LICENSURE LIST

There were no applications for ratification for April.

CONTINUING EDUCATION APPLICATIONS

There were no continuing education applications for review for April.

Discussion of Offset Renewal Period

Ms. Wagner discussed with the Board that when changes were made to their Rules and Regulations governing the renewal period ending with the expiration date and the CE period was never changed to end with the expiration date as well. The Board still has an "offset CE period" which was in place due to the fact the pre-renewal audits or the licensees had to submit a CME log in advance of the expiration date so that it could be reviewed and approved before the license expired. The timeframe to complete CE will be every two years from July 1st to June 30th on even years and Audits are done post renewal now. Mr. Stevenson will get this corrected in the Rules and Regulations. A hearing to adopt the changes will be forthcoming. Dr. Garcia made a motion, seconded by Dr. Bray, to have this change in "offset CE period" changed in the Rules and Regulations. By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

OTHER BUSINESS BEFORE THE BOARD (FOR DISCUSSION ONLY)

Complaint Status

Mr. Stevenson reported the status of the following complaints:

- Complaint 15-02-09 has been dismissed by the AG's office.
- Complaint 15-02-10 has been reassigned to Dr. Ray Feehery since Dr. Savage is no longer on the Board.
- Complaint 15-01-11 Hearing has been scheduled with Hearing Officer. (Dr. Garcia)
- Complaint 15-02-11 was assigned to Dr. Bray. Closed by Investigator.
- Complaint 15-04-11 was assigned to Dr. Feehery.

- Complaint 15-04-11 was assigned to Dr. Bray.
- Complaint 15-06-11 was assigned to Dr. Feehery.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

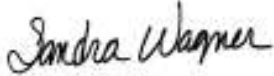
NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING

The next scheduled board meeting is July 19, 2012 at 5:00 p.m. in Conference Room “B” of the Cannon Building, 861 Silver Lake Boulevard, Dover, Delaware, 19904.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Dr. Garcia made a motion, seconded by Dr. Bray, to adjourn the meeting. The motion was unanimously approved. The meeting adjourned at 6:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Sandra Wagner".

Sandra Wagner
Administrative Specialist III